

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The District is requesting Board acceptance of the 2006 UASI Grant, in the amount of \$8,752,000, from the United States Department of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training.

This grant, overseen by the California Office of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training, provides funding to address the unique equipment, training, planning, and exercise needs of large urban areas; and, to assist them in building an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism.

Approval of the recommended action will provide funding to enable the District to continue to improve emergency preparedness, response, and planning capabilities. The following have been approved for purchase under this grant:

- Regional planning, training, and exercise alliance.
- Training for the sustainment of existing Hazardous Materials and Urban Search and Rescue teams, including Weapons of Mass Destruction training.
- Continued Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRNE) Training Site Development (training props) for the Del Valle Regional Training Center to deliver multi-jurisdictional and multi-discipline CBRNE training on a regional basis.
- CBRNE Breathing Apparatus to establish interoperability and comply with national safety standards.
- Grant management and administration costs.

The grant period of performance is August 28, 2006 through March 31, 2008. However, due to the delay in receiving an executed UASI contract from the City of Los Angeles and the need to develop specifications to proceed with expenditure of our grant award, the District has requested a performance period and milestone extension to June 30, 2009, for which the Department of Homeland Security has indicated its willingness to extend.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal 2, *Workforce Excellence*, by enhancing the quality and productivity of the District's emergency services; and, Goal 4, *Fiscal Responsibility*, by securing grant funding for training and the purchase of needed equipment.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The District's Fiscal Year 2007-08 Adopted Budget includes sufficient funding for this grant program.

The UASI Grant Program is fully funded by the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training through the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area. There is no cost-share or matching fund requirements. The District will be reimbursed by the City of Los Angeles.

Maintenance costs will be funded within the District's existing budget. There is no impact on net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The United States Department of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training has provided the District with guidelines for the administration of the grant agreement. These guidelines detail the activities and expenditures that are allowable for reimbursement.

On October 16, 2001, your Board adopted a policy whereby departments must obtain Board approval to purchase or finance equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater prior to submitting their requisitions to the Purchasing Agent.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

These are commodity purchases under the statutory authority of the County Purchasing Agent. The purchases will be requisitioned through, and accomplished by, the Purchasing Agent in accordance with the County's purchasing policies and procedures, established by the Internal Services Department.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended action will enable the District to purchase equipment and provide training to assist in building an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism.

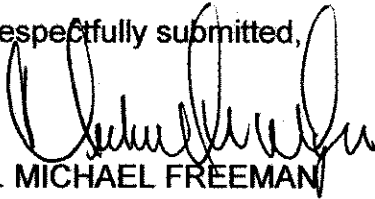
CONCLUSION:

Upon approval by the Board of Supervisors, please instruct the Executive Officer to return adopted copies of this letter to:

1. Los Angeles County Consolidated Fire Protection District
Executive Office
1320 N. Eastern Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90063
Attention: Chief Deputy Michael W. Dyer
2. Los Angeles County Consolidated Fire Protection District
Materials Management Division
5801 South Eastern Avenue, Suite 100
Commerce, CA 90040
Attention: James Ealey, Division Chief
3. Los Angeles County Consolidated Fire Protection District
Special Operations Bureau
1320 North Eastern Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90063
Attention: Acting Deputy Chief James W. Powers
4. Los Angeles County Consolidated Fire Protection District
Financial Management Division
5801 South Eastern Avenue, Suite 130
Commerce, CA 90040
Attention: Helen Jo, Division Chief
5. Internal Services Department
Purchasing Division
1100 North Eastern Avenue, Room 102
Los Angeles, CA 90063
Attention: Joe Sandoval, Division Manager

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Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Internal Services Department

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ATTACHMENT A

**2006 LOS ANGELES/LONG BEACH
URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM
ITEMS OVER \$250,000**

| Fixed Asset Equipment | Total Cost |
|---|-------------------|
| Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRNE) Training Props for the Del Valle Regional Training Center | \$2,540,000 |